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HE BRANDS THE PHILADELPHIA REPORT AS A "MALICIOUS LIE."

All his debts Paid Promptly and in Full as Soon as Demanded.—The Divine Talks of His Connection With Plymouth Church—An Interview.

New York, Aug. 27.—Mr. Beecher was found by a reporter enjoying the cool breezes which were blowing across the magnificent landscape which is spread out before the Beecher summer seat at Peekskill. The morning papers had not yet arrived, and Mr. Beecher, who has completed his perusal of the article published in the Philadelphia Times, which Assistant Postmaster Halliday contradicted, laid it down with a gesture of impatience, and said:

"It is a baseless fabric of nothingness, without the least foundation. It is all a lie, an infamous lie; and, first of all I would speak of money matters, for it is not as if I reflect upon a man's honor when it says that there is any assumption of debt without intention or ability to pay. Nothing can be more remote from the truth. There is not a workman in my employ, and I have seven about this place, who need wait longer for what is due him than the time it will take me to put my hand in my pocket. There is not a tradesman who has one penny owing which he cannot have on demand. The part of the Philadelphia article I would declare to be malicious, malicious lie. I cannot for the life of me see why tales should be set afloat, but I suppose now that it ever has any afflictions of life."

"What of your retirement from the pulpit of Plymouth church?"

"The matter has never been discussed—barely mentioned. There never has been any formal consideration of it in the church. It has been thought of, of course, it would be strange if it had not been. I am not a perpetual motion machine. There is a span to every human life, and some day it will come about that there will be a Plymouth church and no Mr. Beecher. As soon as I feel myself going I am ready to stand up together. Brethren, we have had a good time together. Thank God for that! But now let us reason for the future. And I will then welcome a young man and send him all I can be right on with the work."

"How is your present health?"

"Never better in my life. I am prepared for any amount of work, and I am ready now to enter the lists against any man of half my age, and run him a race, say for a year—an intellectual race—you please—concerning the right of man to write in writing sermons and preaching them, in doing hard brain work night and day. My mind is clearer now than it ever has been, and there is not an ache or a pain or a weak spot that I know of."

"And the church?"

"Is stronger and better to-day than ever it was. The asperities of the last political campaign are gradually fading away, and the old reign of love and tolerance coming in. In Plymouth has been a Republican stronghold; it was as such that I founded it, and such it had grown to be. Many would not follow me when I thought it my duty as a good citizen to support Mr. Cleveland. Some of the members of the congregation felt very sore for a time and separated themselves from the church, but all save two are now again in full working fellowship. These ingenuities ones remember that I had always preached the fullest freedom of action on the part of every man, and they saw that I had a right to live up to my own truths. No man can say that I used my pulpit as a political agency, or that I uttered one word as a pastor to which any one in Plymouth could take exception. What I did out of the pulpit, on the stump and in pushing the cause which I then thought and still think had the most of justice and right and honor in it, I did openly and above-board. There was a reason for every sentence I made, and this reason I gave with all the power I had. History, I think, has justified my course. Mr. Cleveland has made an excellent executive and I have not one word to recall—not one sentiment to change or alter. Those of my people who differed with them are coming round to my way of thinking now. All the bitterness of the strife is passing or has passed away, and, as I say, I can think of but two instances among all my people where the old Plymouth church feeling is not back again in their hearts. One of the leaders in this opposition, if we might so style it, is a better on this very point, said it was not so much a question of Plymouth church leaving Mr. Beecher as it was of Mr. Beecher leaving Plymouth but there is no danger, I think, of either catastrophe—not for a time at least. The question of change has been considered by the long-headed men of the church for ten years past, but it seems as far off as ever in any practical sense. I think I can be of great service yet, and I mean to try to give the people the full measure of my abilities. I thank God for what he has permitted me to be and do, and every day makes me see things clearer, and many matters that were once puzzles are now plain reading and thinking. I sleep well, eat with good appetite and digestion, and this year, I think, my, hay fever, seems to have forgotten that I am in existence—another matter to be thankful for."

"I will be the first one in the Plymouth Church to urge the retirement of Mr. Beecher as soon as Mr. Beecher should be set aside. It may come at any time, but I have no intimation of it yet. I will watch for it and will speak out when the occasion presents itself. I do not think there is any demand for a change in the church. Ask any of the deacons or any of the nine trustees. Go to St. V. White or Professor Ross Raymond, or Horace B. Claffin, or Mr. Ropes, or any of the leading men in the church. They are as hearty now as they ever were in the support of Plymouth and its pastor. More so, even, were it possible. There is no division, no talk of any separation, and we will work on to that end, which I hope is yet far off."

Mr. Beecher spoke of himself and his church work with a calm satisfaction, in marked contrast to the way in which he had opened the conversation when many matters were touched upon. He became his old genial self when "Smoke" came upon the piazza and rubbed his great mail nose in friendly greeting against the shoulder of the great preacher. The magnificent brute received a friendly pat on the head and a pleasant word and stretched himself along the piazza, while his appreciative master talked with animation of his seven dogs, mentioning each by name, and running through the names of a lover over the good points of collie and Newfoundland, tan and pointer.

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